

PURCHASING AND LICENSING COMMITTEE

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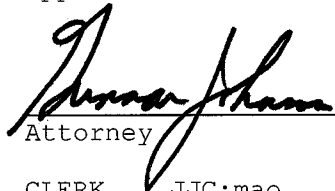
RESOLUTION APPROVING ISSUANCE OF AN ON SALE WINE LICENSE
TO MINNESOTA WINE EXCHANGE, LLC (MINNESOTA WINE
EXCHANGE), 1330 EAST SUPERIOR STREET.

CITY PROPOSAL:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the city council of the city of Duluth hereby approves issuance of the following on sale wine license for the period ending August 31, 2011, subject to departmental approvals and further subject to approval of the liquor control commissioner:

Minnesota Wine Exchange, LLC, (Minnesota Wine Exchange), 1330 East Superior Street, premises main floor, with Debra Fellman, owner.

Approved as to form:



Attorney

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Brent Johanson was present on behalf of the application. Mr. Johanson explained that they would like to open a business where they will feature wines from the 40 wineries in Minnesota. He continued saying that he understands that State law requires food to be prepared on site and would like to partner with the Great Harvest Bread Company for sandwiches and potentially other Minnesota foods. Mr. Johanson explained that this will be something new and unique to the city and are excited about the activity in the neighborhood. To questioning from the commission, Mr. Johanson replied that he has had experience in operating a business but no direct experience with the selling alcohol, and they will be training staff on selling alcohol. To further questioning, he replied that there will be some construction to the building and is aware that various departments will need to approve the remodeling before they can open. There being no further discussion, Mr. Birchland that THE APPLICATION OF MINNESOTA WINE EXCHANGE, LLC (MINNESOTA WINE EXCHANGE), 1330 EAST SUPERIOR STREET FOR AN ON SALE WINE LICENSE FOR THE PERIOD ENDING AUGUST 31, 2011, BE APPROVED, AND THE SAME BE RECOMMENDED TO THE CITY COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL. Mr. Pekkala seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.